AGENDA DOCUMENT NO. 03-15

MINUTES OF AN OPEN MEETING

OF THE

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2003

PRESENT:

Ellen L. Weintraub, Chair, presiding

Bradley A. Smith, Vice Chairman

David M. Mason, Commissioner

Danny L. McDonald, Commissioner

Scott E. Thomas, Commissioner

Michael E. Toner, Commissioner

James A. Pehrkon, Staff Director

Lawrence H. Norton, General Counsel

Mary W. Dove, Secretary

Chair Ellen L. Weintraub called the Federal Election Commission to order in an open meeting at 10:05 A.M. on Thursday, February 13, 2003, with a quorum present.

I. <u>CORRECTION AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES</u>

Minutes for January 30, 2003 Agenda Document No. 03-13

Chair Weintraub recognized Vice Chairman Smith, who

MOVED to approve the minutes for the open meeting of January 30, 2003, as submitted in Agenda Document No. 03-13.

The motion carried on the vote of 6-0 with Commissioners Mason, McDonald, Smith, Thomas, Toner, and Weintraub voting affirmatively.

II. <u>DRAFT ADVISORY OPINION 2002-15</u>

American Association of Clinical Urologists and American Urological Association, Inc. by counsel, Randolph B. Fenninger

Agenda Document No. 03-14

Chair Weintraub recognized Mr. Richard Ewell of the General Counsel's Office who presented draft Advisory Opinion 2002-15 concerning the application of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("FECA" or "the Act"), and Commission regulations to the possible affiliation of the American Association of Clinical Urologists ("AACU") and the American Urological Association, Inc. ("AUA") for the joint operation of the American Association of Clinical Urologists Political Action Committee ("UROPAC").

A discussion followed.

II. <u>DRAFT ADVISORY OPINION 2002-15</u>

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Chair Weintraub recognized Commissioner Mason,

who

MOVED to approve draft Advisory Opinion 2002-15, as submitted in Agenda Document No. 03-14, subject to the following amendments:

- 1. Page 12, Line 9: Delete #1988-42 and substitute #1988-14 in lieu thereof.
- Page 12, Footnote 9:
 Delete the last sentence.

The motion carried on the vote of 6-0.

III. ROUTINE ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

The Chair recognized Staff Director Pehrkon who presented an update on the status of the FY 03 budget appropriation for the Commission.

The meeting adjourned at 10:15 A.M.

Signed:

Ellen L. Weintraub Chair

Attest:

Mary W. Dove Secretary of the Commission